

1. Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Hanover Township Committee on Youth was called to order by Chairperson Craig Essick at 7:00 PM, August 28, 2006 at the Township Offices, 250 South Route 59, Bartlett, Illinois.

Members present were Craig Essick, Bill Peterson, Ashley Tyszkiewicz, Judy Walsh, Richard Clyburn, Trustee Bob Goffinski and Director Kathy Fox.

Also present was Kelly Skiles, the new Program/Volunteer Coordinator for the Astor Avenue Community Center.

2. Approval of Minutes: It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of June 26, 2006. Motion carried. No meeting was held in July due to a lack of a quorum.
3. Treasurer's Report: The final report for FY 06 was reviewed by the Committee. Some line adjustments that were made due to the new accounting software being used were clarified by Kathy.

Donations made to the Open Gym and Tutoring Programs can be applied to the same lines in the FY 07 budget. The under spent salary line was a result of vacant positions during the year.

Revenue was up for the year by approximately \$1,200 over FY 05 due to increases in therapy income.

The FY 06 report for Astor Avenue was also reviewed.

4. Youth and Family Services Report: Four (3M/1F) cases were screened in June and eight (2M/6F) were screened in July. Cases assigned numbered nine (4M/5F) in June and four (1M/3F) in July. Currently the waiting list is 2-3 weeks.

The summer Open Gym program attracted 620 participants compared to 490 during last summer, which was very hot and dry. The largest age group that has participated over the past 11 summers was 8-10. The Appreciation Picnic was held 8/15/06; Bob and Kelly attended.

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Tutoring Services for students in grades 2-9 commence on October 12 with mandatory parent and child orientation sessions scheduled for September 18 or 21 at 7-8 PM.

5. Astor Avenue Report: The grand opening for the Astor Avenue Community Center is set for Saturday, October 7 from noon to 4 PM. Scheduled events will begin with a parade through the immediate neighborhood. Committee members offered other suggestions and ideas for this occasion. Committee members are encouraged to attend this festive celebration and participate in the parade.

The position of Site Director remains open. Many applicants have been considered for this key position.

We are a semi-finalist for the Governor's Home Town Award for the renovation of the Astor Avenue Community Center. Award formally recognizes significant volunteer effort. A group of volunteers, staff, elected officials, and Bill Peterson met with two judges as part of the process on 7/19/06. Awaiting results.

6. Old Business: None
7. New Business: Rozana Qurjaqi, who is bilingual Spanish and English, has begun as a part time Secretary/Receptionist in the evening.

John Parquette is continuing to interview applicants for a full time therapist position.

New website is www.hanover-township.com

8. Public Comments: None

It was moved and seconded to adjourn at 8:29 PM. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING: September 25, 2006

Respectfully Submitted,

William Peterson, Secretary